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Filed: December 18, 2001 : **UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.313(b)**
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The purpose of this communication is to inform you that the above identified application is being withdrawn from issue pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.313.

The above-identified application is hereby withdrawn from issue.

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The above-identified application is being forwarded to the examiner for prompt appropriate action, including notifying applicant of the new status of this application.

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